

FRESHMAN

COLLEGE PLANNING TIMELINE



FALL

- Meet with your school counselor and talk about your plans for high school and the future.
- Get involved – extracurricular activities are important and help you become more well-rounded.
- Class Schedule – be sure that your classes meet graduation requirements and will help you prepare for life after high school.

WINTER

- Make the grade – good grades are important as they impact your GPA and class rank.
- Explore interests and possible careers.
- Talk to your parents about paying for college expenses – set up a plan.

SPRING/SUMMER

- Build your credentials – keep track of academic and extracurricular awards, community achievements, volunteering, and anything else you participate in.
- Start learning about college – check out resources in your public library and on college websites. Start a list of colleges that interest you.
- Begin college visits – just to get a feel for the college in general. Walk around campus, visit the dorms, library, and student center.
- Make summer count by volunteering, getting a job, or signing up for an enrichment program.